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VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUR-2023-00088

For approval and certification of electric transmission facilities: 230 kV Finneywood-Jeffress Lines and Jeffress Switching Station Conversion

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND HEARING

On May 24, 2023, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Dominion" or the "Company") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application ("Application") for approval and certification of electric transmission facilities in Mecklenburg County, Virginia.<sup>1</sup> Dominion filed its Application pursuant to § 56-46.1 of the Code of Virginia ("Code"), and the Utility Facilities Act, Code § 56-265.1 *et seq.*<sup>2</sup>

Through its Application, the Company proposes to complete the following, which is collectively referred to as the "Project:"

- Construct two new approximately 18.3-mile 230 kilovolt ("kV") single circuit lines on new right-of-way from the future 500-230 kV Finneywood Switching Station (the "Finneywood Station")<sup>3</sup> to the newly converted Jeffress 230 kV Switching Station, resulting in 230 kV Finneywood-Jeffress Line #2299 and 230 kV Finneywood-Jeffress Line #2302 (the "Finneywood-Jeffress Lines"). The Finneywood-Jeffress Lines will be constructed on new permanent 120-foot-wide right-of-way supported primarily by two side-by-side single circuit weathering steel monopoles. The Finneywood-Jeffress Lines will be constructed utilizing

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<sup>1</sup> Application at 1-2.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 1.

<sup>3</sup> The Company states in its Application that the Finneywood Station was proposed for Commission approval as part of the Company's ongoing proceeding in Case No. PUR-2022-00175. *Id.* at 2, n. 2. The Commission approved the construction of the Finneywood Station on May 31, 2023. See *Application of Virginia Electric and Power Company, for approval and certification of electric transmission facilities: Butler Farm to Clover 230 kV Line, Butler Farm to Finneywood 230 kV Line and Related Projects*, Case No. PUR-2022-00175, Doc Con. Cen. No. 230500138, Final Order (May 31, 2023).

three-phase twin-bundled 768.2 ACSS/TW type conductor with a summer transfer capability of 1,573 MVA.

- Convert the Company's future Jeffress 115 kV Switching Station ("Jeffress 115 kV Station") located adjacent to Oconeechee State Park south of Highway 58 near Clarksville, Virginia, in Mecklenburg County to 230 kV operation ("Jeffress 230 kV Station").
- Perform minor station-related work at the future Finneywood Station to terminate the new Finneywood-Jeffress Lines.<sup>4</sup>

According to the Application, Dominion proposes the Project in order to: provide service to Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative's ("MEC") delivery point ("DP") at the request of Old Dominion Electric Cooperative<sup>5</sup> for MEC to provide service to one of its data center customers in Mecklenburg County, Virginia ("Lakeside Campus"); to maintain reliable service for the overall load growth in the area; and to comply with mandatory North American Electric Reliability Corporation Reliability Standards for transmission facilities and the Company's mandatory planning criteria.<sup>6</sup>

Dominion states that MEC's DP request projects a summer peak of 24 megawatts ("MW") in 2025, 30 MW in 2026, and 60 MW in 2027, with 240 MW at full build-out of the Lakeside Campus.<sup>7</sup> The Company states that, in order to begin serving the Lakeside Campus beginning on January 1, 2025, as requested by MEC, the Lakeside DP will initially receive bridging power from the Company's future Jeffress 115 kV Station sourced by two temporary

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<sup>4</sup> Application at 2-3.

<sup>5</sup> The Company states that, while the request was submitted by ODEC on behalf of MEC, the Company refers to the request as MEC's DP request, as MEC is the Company's customer requiring this Project to provide service to MEC's Lakeside DP to serve MEC's customer's data center campus. *Id.* at 2, n. 1.

<sup>6</sup> *Id.* at 2, 3.

<sup>7</sup> *Id.* at 4.

115 kV single circuit transmission lines.<sup>8</sup> However, the Company states that the future Jeffress 115 kV Station cannot serve the full build-out power capacity required by the Lakeside Campus; accordingly, the 230 kV Finneywood-Jeffress Lines and Jeffress 230 kV Station conversion are required to serve the full build out at the Lakeside Campus.<sup>9</sup>

Dominion has identified an approximately 18.3-mile overhead proposed route for the Finneywood-Jeffress Lines ("Route 4" or the "Proposed Route"), as well as two overhead alternative routes ("Alternative Route 3" and "Alternative Route 5"), all of which the Company is proposing for Commission consideration and notice.<sup>10</sup> The Company states that the Proposed Route is the shortest of the routes and would require correspondingly less right-of-way acreage.<sup>11</sup> The Company further states that, while the Proposed Route would require the most clearing of forested land of the three routes, it has the fewest parcels crossed, agricultural impacts, wetlands crossed, and waterbodies crossed when compared to the other two routes.<sup>12</sup> Dominion also states that the Proposed Route would also have the fewest residences within 500 feet of the centerline (14 residences) compared to Alternative Route 3 (22 residences) and Alternative Route 5 (27 residences).<sup>13</sup> In addition, Dominion states that the Proposed Route has the least number of road crossings at 12, thereby limiting the visual impacts to commuters and through travelers in

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<sup>8</sup> *Id.*

<sup>9</sup> *Id.*

<sup>10</sup> *Id.*

<sup>11</sup> *Id.*

<sup>12</sup> *Id.*

<sup>13</sup> *Id.*

the Project area.<sup>14</sup> The Company states that, for these reasons, the Company selected this route as the Proposed Route.<sup>15</sup>

Dominion states that the switching station equipment used to interconnect the future Jeffress 115 kV Station with the existing transmission system will be the same as the 230 kV switching station equipment necessary for the conversion of the Jeffress Station to 230 kV.<sup>16</sup> Accordingly, the Company states that the converted Jeffress 230 kV Station will reuse the initially constructed future Jeffress 115 kV Station equipment with the 230 kV breakers in a half bus arrangement.<sup>17</sup> The Company states that the conversion of the Jeffress 115 kV Station to 230 kV will not require any additional acreage.<sup>18</sup>

The Company states the in-service target date for the proposed Project is July 1, 2026.<sup>19</sup> The Company represents the estimated conceptual cost of the Project (in 2023 dollars) utilizing the Proposed Route is approximately \$134.7 million, which includes approximately \$123.0

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<sup>14</sup> *Id.* at 4-5.

<sup>15</sup> *Id.* at 5.

<sup>16</sup> *Id.*

<sup>17</sup> *Id.* The Company states that the conversion will require the installation of an additional 24 arresters, ten 230 kV 4000 ampere ("A") breakers, and twenty 230 kV 4000A switches, and that the Jeffress 230 kV Station will be designed to provide six 230 kV feeds to serve MEC's Lakeside DP. *Id.*

<sup>18</sup> *Id.*

<sup>19</sup> *Id.* Dominion requests that the Commission enter a final order by January 15, 2024. *Id.* The Company states that, should the Commission issue a final order by January 15, 2024, the Company estimates that construction should begin around January 2025 and be completed by July 1, 2026. *Id.* Dominion notes that its schedule is contingent on several items, and the Company also notes that it is actively monitoring the regulatory changes and requirements associated with the Northern long-eared bat and how it could potentially impact construction timing associated with time of year restrictions. *Id.* at 5-6. Dominion further states that it is also monitoring potential regulatory changes associated with the potential up-listing of the Tri-colored bat to endangered. *Id.* at 6.

million for transmission-related work and approximately \$11.7 million for substation-related work.<sup>20</sup>

As provided by Code § 62.1-44.15:21 D 2, the Commission and the State Water Control Board ("Board") consult on wetland impacts prior to the siting of electric utility facilities that require a certificate of public convenience and necessity. Acting on behalf of the Board, the Department of Environmental Quality ("DEQ") must prepare a Wetland Impacts Consultation on this Application, as required by the Code and Sections 2 and 3 of the Department of Environmental Quality—State Corporation Commission Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Consultation on Wetland Impacts.<sup>21</sup> The Staff of the Commission ("Staff") has requested the Office of Wetlands & Stream Protection at DEQ to provide the Wetland Impacts Consultation for the Project.<sup>22</sup>

As provided by Code §§ 10.1-1186.2:1 B and 56-46.1 A, the Commission and DEQ coordinate reviews of the environmental impact of electric generating plants and associated facilities. Pursuant to the Code and consistent with the Department of Environmental Quality--State Corporation Commission Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Coordination of Reviews of the Environmental Impacts of Proposed Electric Generating Plants and Associated Facilities (August 2002),<sup>23</sup> the Commission receives and considers reports on the proposed

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<sup>20</sup> *Id.* at 6.

<sup>21</sup> *In re Receiving comments on a draft memorandum of agreement between the State Water Control Board and the State Corporation Commission*, Case No. PUE-2003-00114, 2003 S.C.C. Ann. Rept. 474, Order Distributing Memorandum of Agreement (July 30, 2003).

<sup>22</sup> Letter from Anna A. Dimitri, Esquire, State Corporation Commission, dated May 31, 2023, to David L. Davis, Department of Environmental Quality, filed in Case No. PUR-2023-00088.

<sup>23</sup> *In re Receiving comments on a draft memorandum of agreement between the Department of Environmental Quality and the State Corporation Commission*, Case No. PUE-2002-00315, 2002 S.C.C. Ann. Rept. 559, Order Distributing Memorandum of Agreement (Aug. 14, 2002).

facilities from state environmental agencies. Staff has requested the DEQ to coordinate an environmental review of this Application by the appropriate agencies and to provide a report on the review.<sup>24</sup>

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the Application and applicable statutes, is of the opinion and finds that: this matter should be docketed; Dominion should give notice of its Application to interested persons and the public; a public hearing should be scheduled for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence on the Application as well as public witness testimony; interested persons should have an opportunity to file comments on the Application or participate as a respondent in this proceeding; and Staff should be directed to investigate the Application and file testimony and exhibits containing its findings and recommendations thereon. Finally, we find this matter should be assigned a Hearing Examiner to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission.

To promote administrative efficiency and timely service of filings upon participants, the Commission will, among other things, direct the electronic filing of testimony and pleadings unless they contain confidential information, and require electronic service on parties to this proceeding.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUR-2023-00088.
- (2) All pleadings in this matter shall be submitted electronically to the extent authorized by 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure

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<sup>24</sup> Letter from Anna A. Dimitri, Esquire, State Corporation Commission, dated May 31, 2023, to Bettina Rayfield, Department of Environmental Quality, filed in Case No. PUR-2023-00088.

("Rules of Practice").<sup>25</sup> Confidential and Extraordinarily Sensitive Information shall not be submitted electronically and should comply with 5 VAC 5-20-170, *Confidential information*, of the Rules of Practice. Any person seeking to hand deliver and physically file or submit any pleading or other document shall contact the Clerk's Office Document Control Center at (804) 371-9838 to arrange the delivery.

(3) Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, of the Rules of Practice, the Commission directs that service on parties and Staff in this matter shall be accomplished by electronic means. Concerning Confidential or Extraordinarily Sensitive Information, all parties and Staff are instructed to work together to agree upon the manner in which documents containing such information shall be served upon one another, to the extent practicable, in an electronically protected manner, even if such information is unable to be filed in the Office of the Clerk, so that no party or Staff is impeded from preparing its case.

(4) As provided by § 12.1-31 of the Code and 5 VAC 5-20-120, *Procedure before hearing examiners*, of the Rules of Practice, a Hearing Examiner is appointed to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission, including filing a final report. A copy of each filing made with the Commission's Clerk's office in this matter shall also be sent electronically to the Office of the Hearing Examiners.<sup>26</sup>

(5) The Commission hereby schedules a telephonic portion of the hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Application, as follows:

- (a) The portion of the hearing for the receipt of testimony from public witnesses on the Application shall be convened telephonically at 10 a.m., on October 18, 2023.

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<sup>25</sup> 5 VAC 5-20-10 *et seq.*

<sup>26</sup> Such electronic copies shall be sent to [OHEParalegals@scv.virginia.gov](mailto:OHEParalegals@scv.virginia.gov).

- (b) To promote fairness for all public witnesses, each witness will be allotted five minutes to provide testimony.
- (c) On or before October 12, 2023, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in three ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission's website at [scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting](http://scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting); (ii) by completing and emailing the PDF version of this form to [SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov](mailto:SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov); or (iii) by calling (804) 371-9141.
- (d) Beginning at 10 a.m., on October 18, 2023, the Hearing Examiner appointed to this case will telephone sequentially each person who has signed up to testify, if any, as provided above.
- (e) This public witness portion of the hearing will be webcast at [scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting](http://scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting).

(6) The evidentiary portion of the hearing on the Application shall be convened at 10 a.m. on October 18, 2023, or at the conclusion of the public witness portion of the hearing, whichever is later, in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, to receive the testimony and evidence of the Company, any respondents, and the Staff.

(7) An electronic copy of the Company's Application may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for the Company: Vishwa B. Link, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, Gateway Plaza, 800 East Canal Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, or [vlink@mcguirewoods.com](mailto:vlink@mcguirewoods.com). Interested persons also may download unofficial copies from the Commission's website: [scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information](http://scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information).

(8) On or before August 9, 2023, the Company shall cause to be sent by first class mail a copy of the notice and sketch map prescribed in Ordering Paragraph (9) to all owners of property within the Proposed Route, Alternative Route 3, and Alternative Route 5, as of the date of this Order and as indicated on the map or sketch of the routes filed with the Commission, which



requirement shall be satisfied by mailing to such persons at such addresses as are indicated in the land books maintained by the commissioner of revenue, director of finance, treasurer, or other officer of the county or municipality designated as provided by Code § 58.1-3100 *et seq.*

(9) On or before August 9, 2023, the Company shall cause the following notice and sketch map of the Proposed Route, Alternative Route 3, and Alternative Route 5, as shown in Attachment V.A on page 260 of the Appendix to the Application, to be published as display advertising (not classified) on one (1) occasion in newspapers of general circulation in Mecklenburg County, Virginia:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY  
VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY  
FOR APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION OF ELECTRIC  
TRANSMISSION FACILITIES: 230 KV  
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SWITCHING STATION CONVERSION  
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The Company states the in-service target date for the proposed Project is July 1, 2026. The Company represents the estimated conceptual cost of the Project (in 2023 dollars) utilizing the Proposed Route is approximately \$134.7 million, which includes approximately \$123.0 million for transmission-related work and approximately \$11.7 million for substation-related work.

### **Description of Routes for the Proposed Project**

#### **Proposed Route (Route 4)**

The Proposed Route (Route 4) of the Finneywood-Jeffress Lines is approximately 18.3 miles in length and is located entirely in Mecklenburg County, Virginia. Starting at the future Finneywood Switching Station, the route initial heads east and then south passing east of the Town of Chase City. South of Highway 92, the route turns to the southwest passing by the unincorporated

community of Skipwith before terminating at the converted Jeffress 230 kV Switching Station.

The Proposed Route (Route 4) will be constructed on new 120-foot-wide right-of-way primarily supported by single circuit weathering steel monopoles. For the entire route, the minimum structure height is approximately 90 feet, the maximum structure height is approximately 170 feet, and the average structure height is approximately 121 feet. These proposed structure heights are based on preliminary conceptual design, do not include foundation reveal, and are subject to change based on final engineering design.

### **Alternative Route 3**

Alternative Route 3 of the Finneywood-Jeffress Lines is approximately 18.5 miles in length and is located entirely in Mecklenburg County, Virginia. Starting at the future Finneywood Switching Station, the route initially heads east and then south passing east of the Town of Chase City. South of Rocky Mount Road, the route turns to the southwest passing by the unincorporated community of Skipwith before terminating at the converted Jeffress 230 kV Switching Station.

Alternative Route 3 will be constructed on new 120-foot-wide right-of-way primarily supported by single circuit weathering steel monopoles. For the entire route, the minimum structure height is approximately 90 feet, the maximum structure height is approximately 170 feet, and the average structure height is approximately 121 feet. These proposed structure heights are based on preliminary conceptual design, do not include foundation reveal, and are subject to change based on final engineering design.

### **Alternative Route 5**

Alternative Route 5 of the Finneywood-Jeffress Lines is approximately 19.2 miles in length and is located entirely in Mecklenburg County, Virginia. Starting at the future Finneywood Switching Station, the route initially heads east and then south passing east of the Town of Chase City. South of Chase City, the route turns to the west and parallels a natural gas pipeline corridor before turning to the southwest and then south. After crossing Wilbourne Road, the route turns to the southwest and parallels the south side of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, before turning south

and crossing Highway 58, and terminating at the converted Jeffress 230 kV Switching Station.

Alternative Route 5 will be constructed on new 120-foot-wide right-of-way primarily supported by single circuit weathering steel monopoles. For the entire route, the minimum structure height is approximately 90 feet, the maximum structure height is approximately 170 feet, and the average structure height is approximately 121 feet. These proposed structure heights are based on preliminary conceptual design, do not include foundation reveal, and are subject to change based on final engineering design.

All distances, heights, and directions are approximate. A sketch map of the proposal accompanies this notice. A more detailed map may be viewed on the Commission's website: [scc.virginia.gov/pages/Transmission-Line-Projects](http://scc.virginia.gov/pages/Transmission-Line-Projects). A more complete description of the Project also may be found in the Company's Application.

The Commission may consider a route not significantly different from the routes described in this notice without additional notice to the public.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding that, among other things, scheduled a public hearing on Dominion's Application. On October 18, 2023, at 10 a.m., the Hearing Examiner assigned will hold the telephonic portion of the hearing for the purpose of receiving the testimony of public witnesses. On or before October 12, 2023, any person desiring to offer testimony as a public witness shall provide to the Commission (a) your name, and (b) the telephone number that you wish the Commission to call during the hearing to receive your testimony. This information may be provided to the Commission in three ways: (i) by filling out a form on the Commission's website at [scc.Virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting](http://scc.Virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting); (ii) by completing and emailing the PDF version of this form to [SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov](mailto:SCCInfo@scc.virginia.gov); or (iii) by calling (804) 371-9141. This public witness hearing will be webcast at [scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting](http://scc.virginia.gov/pages/Webcasting).

Beginning at 10 a.m. on October 18, 2023, the Hearing Examiner will telephone sequentially each person who has signed up to testify as provided above.

On October 18, 2023, at 10 a.m., or at the conclusion of the public witness portion of the hearing, whichever is later, in the

Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, the Hearing Examiner will convene a hearing to receive testimony and evidence related to the Application from the Company, any respondents, and the Commission Staff.

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On or before October 12, 2023, any interested person may submit comments on the Application by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: [scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments](http://scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments). Those unable, as a practical matter, to submit comments electronically may file such comments with the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. All such comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2023-00088.

On or before September 11, 2023, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation at [scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling](http://scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling). Those unable, as a practical matter, to file a notice of participation electronically may file such notice by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel. The respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Company. Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a respondent*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules of Practice"), any notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation, or government body participating as a respondent

must be represented by counsel as required by 5 VAC 5-20-30, *Counsel*, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2023-00088.

On or before September 26, 2023, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission, at [scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling](http://scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling), any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case. Any respondent unable, as a practical matter, to file testimony and exhibits electronically may file such by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed above. Each witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. All testimony and exhibits shall be served on the Commission's Staff, the Company, and all other respondents simultaneous with its filing. In all filings, respondents shall comply with the Commission's Rules of Practice, as modified herein, including, but not limited to: 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, and 5 VAC 5-20-240, *Prepared testimony and exhibits*. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2023-00088.

Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, except as modified by the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

The Company's Application, the Commission's Rules of Practice, and the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing, and other documents filed in this case may be viewed on the Commission's website at: [scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information](http://scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information).

#### VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

(10) On or before August 9, 2023, the Company shall serve a copy of this Order for Notice and Hearing on the following local officials, to the extent the position exists, in each county, city, and town through which the Project is proposed to be built: the chairman of the board of supervisors of each county; the mayor or manager (or equivalent official) of every city and town; and the county, city, or town attorney. Service shall be made electronically where

possible; if electronic service is not possible, service shall be made by either personal delivery or first class mail to the customary place of business or residence of the person served.

(11) On or before August 23, 2023, the Company shall file proof of the notice and service required by Ordering Paragraphs (9) and (10), including the name, title, address, and electronic mail address (if applicable) of each official served, with the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, at [scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling](http://scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling).

(12) On or before August 23, 2023, the Company shall file with the Clerk of the Commission a certificate of the mailing of notice to owners of property prescribed by Ordering Paragraph (8). The certificate shall not include the names and addresses of the owners of property served, but the Company shall maintain a record of such information.

(13) On or before October 12, 2023, any interested person may submit comments on the Application by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: [scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments](http://scc.virginia.gov/casecomments/Submit-Public-Comments). Those unable, as a practical matter, to file comments electronically may file such comments by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. All comments shall refer to Case No. PUR-2023-00088.

(14) On or before September 11, 2023, any person or entity wishing to participate as a respondent in this proceeding may do so by filing a notice of participation at [scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling](http://scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling). Those unable, as a practical matter, to file a notice of participation electronically may file such notice by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed in Ordering Paragraph (13). Such notice of participation shall include the email addresses of such parties or their counsel. The respondent simultaneously shall serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Company. Pursuant to 5 VAC 5-20-80 B, *Participation as a*



*respondent*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice, any notice of participation shall set forth:

(i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Any organization, corporation, or government body participating as a respondent must be represented by counsel as required by 5 VAC 5-20-30, *Counsel*, of the Rules of Practice. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2023-00088.

(15) Within five (5) business days of receipt of a notice of participation as a respondent, the Company shall serve a copy of the public version of its Application and supporting materials on the respondent, unless these materials already have been provided to the respondent.

(16) On or before September 26, 2023, each respondent may file with the Clerk of the Commission, at [scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling](https://scc.virginia.gov/clk/efiling), any testimony and exhibits by which the respondent expects to establish its case. Any respondent unable, as a practical matter, to file testimony and exhibits electronically may file such by U.S. mail to the Clerk of the Commission at the address listed in Ordering Paragraph (13). Each witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. All testimony and exhibits shall be served on the Commission's Staff, the Company, and all other respondents simultaneous with its filing. In all filings, respondents shall comply with the Commission's Rules of Practice, as modified herein, including, but not limited to: 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*, and 5 VAC 5-20-240, *Prepared testimony and exhibits*. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUR-2023-00088.

(17) On or before September 26, 2023, the Staff shall investigate the Application and file with the Clerk of the Commission its testimony and exhibits concerning the Application, and each Staff witness' testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. A copy thereof shall be served on counsel to the Company and all respondents.

(18) On or before October 10, 2023, Dominion shall file with the Clerk of the Commission any rebuttal testimony and exhibits that it expects to offer, and each rebuttal witness's testimony shall include a summary not to exceed one page. The Company shall serve a copy of its rebuttal testimony and exhibits on the Staff and all respondents.

(19) Any documents filed in paper form with the Office of the Clerk of the Commission in this docket may use both sides of the paper. In all other respects, except as modified herein, all filings shall comply fully with the requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*, of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

(20) The Commission's Rule of Practice 5 VAC 5-20-260, *Interrogatories or requests for production of documents and things*, shall be modified for this proceeding as follows: responses and objections to written interrogatories and requests for production of documents shall be served within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of the same. In addition to the service requirements of 5 VAC 5-20-260 of the Rules of Practice, on the day that copies are filed with the Clerk of the Commission, a copy of the interrogatory or request for production shall be served electronically on the party to whom the interrogatory or request for production is directed or the assigned Staff attorney, if the interrogatory or request for production is directed to the Staff.<sup>27</sup> Except as modified herein, discovery shall be in accordance with Part IV of the Commission's Rules of Practice, 5 VAC 5-20-240 *et seq.*

(21) This matter is continued.

Commissioner Patricia L. West participated in this matter.

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<sup>27</sup> The assigned Staff attorney is identified on the Commission's website, [scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information](https://scc.virginia.gov/pages/Case-Information), by clicking "Docket Search," then clicking "Search by Case Information," and entering the case number PUR-2023-00088 in the appropriate box.

A COPY hereof shall be sent electronically by the Clerk of the Commission to all persons on the official Service List in this matter. The Service List is available from the Clerk of the Commission.